

# UNIVERSITY MISSOURIAN

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## THREE 61-YEAR-OLD STUDENTS HERE NOW

One-Third in Summer Session Have Never Been in M. U. Before.

ARE FROM 14 STATES

More Methodists Than Any Other Religious Denomination.

About one-third of the students who are attending the Summer Session of the University this year have never been in the University before. The other two-thirds have either been regular students or have attended previous Summer Sessions. In a few cases, the only work ever taken in the University was through the extension courses.

The "long-distance record" for attendance at the Summer Session is held by Richard L. Quinn, who has been here eight summers. He started here in the Summer Session of 1902 and since then has missed only four summers. Miss Elizabeth G. Bowers started here in the summer of 1905. She missed four years but has been here every summer since then.

Two Students Here in 1897.

There are two students here this summer who were in attendance in the University in 1897. They are Alva Cloyd and Miss Mamie Alexander. The honors for the oldest students here this summer are divided among three persons: Mrs. Clarinda Anson, Mrs. Lula Elliot and Robert B. Simonson, all of whom were born in 1853. According to the information blanks the youngest student is Wayne Fuller, who wrote "born in 1903" and who holds the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education from the State Normal School at Kirksville. This honor is disputed by another student who put down that he was "born November 5, 1914."

Only one woman was too modest to put down her age on the registration slips. Another woman admitted that she was "over 31 years old" but she failed to give the exact date of her birth.

There is one student in the Summer Session from China and another from Hawaii. There are fourteen other states represented in the University now. They are: Florida, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Texas, Arkansas, New Mexico, Colorado, Illinois, Louisiana, California and Mississippi.

Many From Normal Schools.

The largest representation of students who have attended other schools is from the normal schools of this and neighboring states. There is hardly a college in Missouri that is not represented here this summer.

Some of the schools that are represented here are: University of California, Georgia School of Technology, Baker University, University of Nebraska, University of Tennessee, University of Montana, University of Colorado, Columbia University, University of Wyoming, South Dakota State College, Defiance College, University of Valparaiso, Kansas State Agricultural College, Drake University, Harvard University, Wooster University, Friends University, University of Oklahoma, Cornell University and the Academy of Fine Arts of Chicago.

Other schools are the University of Arkansas, Teachers College of New York, Regents College, Colorado Agricultural College, Indiana University, Hope University, Purdue University, Vassar College, Bryn Mawr College, Liberty College of Kentucky, La Grange College, University of Notre Dame, University of Michigan, St. Louis School of Fine Arts, Onachita College, University of Texas, University of Pennsylvania, University of Wisconsin, Knox College, Marionville College, Bradley Polytechnic Institute and the University of Chicago.

Methodist Church Leads.

There are more Methodists in the Summer Session than any other religious denomination. According to religious statistics compiled by the Y. M. C. A., there are 224 Methodists in school and 212 students who belong to the Christian Church. The Baptists follow with 185 students, who either belong to that church or prefer it to any other. Next comes the Presbyterians who have 185. The Episcopal Church has 28; the Catholic Church, 25; the Congregational Church, 15; the Lutheran Church, 5; the Evangelical Church, 4; and the

Unitarian and Christian Science Churches 3 each.

There is one student who prefers each of the following churches; Seventh Day Adventists, United Brethren, Jewish, Latter Day Saints and English Church. One student put on his registration card that he preferred the Holy Rollers. There are 67 students who have no religious preference.

MISS SARAH MOSS MARRIES

F. S. Marshall of Michigan Is Husband of Columbia Girl.

Miss Sarah Ann Moss, daughter of Dr. Woodson Moss, and Frederick Emanuel Marshall, of Twin Lakes, Mich., were married last Saturday night. The Rev. Frederick J. Bate, rector of the Calvary Episcopal church of Columbia, performed the ceremony. The ribbon bearers were Louisa Miller Stephens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stephens of Jefferson City, Mo., and Laura Gail Bowling, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bowling of Columbia. De Witt Wing of Chicago was best man. Miss Susie Smoke of Columbia was maid of honor, and Mrs. William F. Switzer of St. Louis, matron of honor.

Miss Moss was educated in the Columbia schools and the University of Missouri. She is a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority. Mr. Marshall studied medicine two years in Chicago and later went to Twin Lakes where he is now engaged in scientific farming.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall left Columbia Saturday night for a short trip. They will be at home at Twin Lakes after July 15.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Stephens entertained the members of the bridal party Friday evening at a buffet supper and Saturday morning at an 11 o'clock breakfast.

The out-of-town guests for the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Shaw, Jefferson City; Mrs. William F. Switzer, St. Louis; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Biddle, Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. William Ashley Gray, St. Louis; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stephens and Miss Louise Stephens, Jefferson City; Miss Martha Prewitt, Clarksville, Mo.; De Witt Wing, Chicago.

DECORATED LATHROP'S GRAVE

University's First President Served From 1841-49.

During Commencement Week at the University, when Gardiner Lathrop visited the grave of his father, President John H. Lathrop at the Columbia Cemetery, he found the grave, marble shaft which marks the grave of the University's first president, decorated with a sheaf of ripe wheat, tied with purple ribbon. J. Ed Crumbaugh had placed the wheat there as an emblem of the full, rich life lived by John H. Lathrop.

Doctor Lathrop served his first term as president of the University of Missouri during the years 1841-49. Besides serving as president, Doctor Lathrop was instructor in ethics, history, civil polity and political economy. He presided over the University's first commencement, which was held November 28, 1843. There were two graduates at this commencement, Robert T. Todd, and Robert B. Todd, both of Columbia.

BUY LOT ON LOWRY STREET

Lucas Brothers May Build Store North of New Library Entrance.

R. E. and B. W. Lucas, managers of the Missouri Store, have bought a lot on Lowry street. It is directly in front of the entrance to the new library on the north side of the street.

No definite plans have been formed yet but they intend to put up a store there carrying the same line of goods as the Missouri Store, according to R. E. Lucas.

The Missouri Store can not keep its present location longer than four years because the state has bought the whole block on which it is situated.

BARONESS VON SUTTNER DIES

In 1912 the Noted Peace Advocate Visited Columbia.

Baroness Bertha Von Suttner, an Austrian writer, who has devoted most of her life to the cause of peace, died last Monday. She was 71 years old. The baroness was an ardent lover of peace. She visited the United States in 1914 and in 1912, attending peace conferences. During the latter year she visited Columbia and delivered an address at a banquet given by the Columbia Commercial Club.

From St. Louis by Motor.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morton Allen of St. Louis came to Columbia in a motor car last Wednesday to spend the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Prather, 1010 University avenue.

## FUTURE BALL GAMES HERE ON NEW FIELD

Athletic Department Building a Diamond South of Present Grounds.

MORE IMPROVEMENTS

Outside of Chicago This Is Only School in West to Build Permanently.

Can you imagine the University of Missouri baseball team playing an intercollegiate game in Columbia on a field larger than the big leagues use, after watching them play all these years on a "short" diamond?

But that is what you will see after this year. The College of Agriculture has given to the athletic department ground south of the bleachers on Rollins Field. This plot is 350 by 500 feet square. It will be divided into two full-sized football fields running north and south. The Tigers and all aspirants to be Tigers will have three full fields on which to develop their strength.

There will be no more baseball on Rollins Field. It is to be sodded carefully and after the track season is over will be locked up. It will be used for football and track only.

Twenty-six hundred feet of curbing will encircle the track, inside and out. The concrete will be one inch above the ground, four inches wide on top, six at the bottom and sixteen inches deep.

The contracts will be let this week and they call for completion by September 1.

The drainage system on the field will be completed this summer, too. This practically completes Rollins Field and brings it to the point which the Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics set four years ago.

New bleachers will not be built on the north side until the summer before the next Kansas game here. The committee believes they will not be needed before then.

The temporary bleachers, which were used for the Kansas game this year are to be set up south and west of the new bleachers, facing east. They will be the baseball bleachers.

The home plate of the new ball diamond will be in the northwest corner of the field south of the bleachers. The plans are so arranged that the bleachers will partly encircle the home plate just as the bleachers do in the big leagues.

Missouri has the only field in the west, except Chicago's new one, which is built permanently, according to Prof. C. L. Brewer, director of athletics.

The money used on these improvements is not the appropriation of the University but is the money secured from time to time by the Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics from the athletic contests.

FARM TEACHERS IN ONE HOME

University Leases Delta Gamma House For Graduate School Instructors.

The Delta Gamma sorority house, 802 Virginia avenue, has been leased by the University of Missouri for the use of the instructors in the Graduate School of Agriculture. The University not only furnishes the lodging and board for the professors, but pays their traveling expenses.

Mrs. Henry Price, matron of Read Hall, will be in charge of the house. The house which regularly accommodates twenty-four will not be occupied by more than ten or twelve at a time. According to A. J. Meyer, registrar for the Graduate School, A. C. True, Dean of the Graduate College of Agriculture will be the only out of town man who will be here during the entire four weeks. With few exceptions the others will be here only a few days at a time, or a week at the most.

Publicity for Columbia Merchants

An article explaining the organization and work of the Columbia Retail Merchant's Association, printed in the St. Louis Republic about two months ago, has been reprinted in the May issues of the St. Louis Furniture News, the Pennsylvania Merchant, and the Montana Trade Journal and Implement News. Each of these trade journals has approximately 10,000 circulation in its respective fields. The article was written by J. B. Powell, instructor in advertising in the School of Journalism of the University.

## WOULD ABOLISH HIS OWN STATE OFFICE

Superintendent of Public Instruction Speaks at Assembly.

URGES AMENDMENTS

Stys Present System Wrong—Wants Tax Limit Law Changed.

William P. Evans, state superintendent of public instruction, spoke to the University Summer Session students at Assembly last Friday. Dr. J. L. Meriam of the University faculty was the speaker Monday. Yesterday a musical program was given under the direction of Prof. Kelley Alexander.

Mr. Evans urged constitutional amendments, among which was one that would abolish his own office. He said:

"Do away with the state superintendent and the ex-officio board and establish a State Board of Education and a secretary chosen by the board."

"There should be a state tax for education, levied by law, amounting to not less than one mill annually."

"Present limitations on school taxes should be abolished and the authority to change school districts should be vested in the legislature."

Mr. Evans believes that agriculture should be placed upon a higher plane in the schools; that city superintendents should be appointed for periods of ten years; that there should be pensions for teachers and that school plants should be used as community centers.

The Teachers' Responsibility.

"Today the responsibility is resting upon the teachers and it is up to us to get the people in the rural districts to spend their money for the improvement of their schools," said Mr. Evans. "Mr. Evans complimented the legislature of 1911 for the passage of two measures that have changed conditions. As a result, he said, state money is now spent in equalizing the conditions in the good and the poorer districts. The law in regard to teachers' certificates has accomplished much in obtaining better and higher educated instructors."

Mr. Evans told of how in 1910, 126 districts received state aid, while in 1913, 1745 districts, just fourteen times as many, received assistance. In 1910, \$13,000 was spent by the state in school work; today just eleven and one-half times as much is spent.

"For the first time in the history of the state the work of the high school was recognized in 1913," said Mr. Evans. "The state appropriated \$85,000 for this work and 167 schools received state aid. As a result sixty-six schools were added to the approved list, leaving only five counties without an approved high school, while three years ago there were sixteen."

Mr. Evans asked for the co-operation of the teachers and asked for their loyal support in bettering the condition of the schools. In the last two years the attendance increased four and one half per cent and Mr. Evans seeks the aid of the teachers in continuing this increase.

About Elementary School.

Monday morning Doctor Merriam told about the work being done in the University Elementary School. He said that the visitors to the school would have to make a close study of the work done and the methods used to fully appreciate the school. He urged those who are taking this course in observation to do the work thoroughly.

Doctor Merriam recommended such books as "Emmy Lou," "Being a Boy" and "The Diary of a Real Boy," as books containing a closer study of the psychology of a child than many textbooks on that subject. He said:

"I can not help but believe that the school nowadays observes boys and girls only under abnormal conditions. Boys are honest, frank, well-meaning, open-hearted and open-minded under normal conditions. We judge them by adult standards, and only under such standards are boys found to do wrong. The traditional school is not the natural environment for the child and therefore you can not claim to have accurately measured his intelligence. The schoolroom represses the normal activities of the child."

Doctor Merriam discussed at length the problems and aims of the Elementary School.

Executive Board to Meet.

The Executive Board of the University will meet in Kansas City tomorrow.

UNIVERSITY MATRON DIES

Mrs. Louise N. Fitch Had Served at M. U. Sixteen Years.

Mrs. Louise Norwood Fitch, matron of the University of Missouri, died at the home of her nephew, Overton Fitch, McCannath, 502 Hockaday street, Sunday morning. Mrs. Fitch had been ill two weeks. She suffered a severe illness last fall, however, and since that time she had not been strong enough to attend to her duties at the University.

Mrs. Fitch was the daughter of Dr. J. G. Norwood, professor of natural sciences at the University from 1860 until 1872 when the School of Medicine was established. He became the first dean of the School of Medicine and remained dean until 1880. He was later made emeritus professor. Mrs. Fitch's ancestors came from England at the time of the Revolution and settled in Virginia. Her grandfather moved to Kentucky and from there to Madison, Ind., where Mrs. Fitch was born. Her early childhood was spent at New Harmony, Ind.

Her father came to Columbia in December of 1860 and the following May she was married to Overton A. Fitch of Louisville, Ky. Her married life was spent away from here but on the death of her husband in 1882 she came to Columbia and lived with her father on West Broadway. Her only son, Norwood Fitch, died two years ago. The relatives who are still living are Charles J. Norwood of Lexington, Ky., a brother; and Miss Mary Lodge Norwood, a sister, who lives at 502 Hockaday street with her nephew, O. F. McCannath.

Mrs. Fitch became connected with the University as matron sixteen years ago. Her brother-in-law, Dr. John D. Vincil, was president of the Board of Curators of the University. She was a member of the Episcopal Church. Funeral services were held at the church Wednesday afternoon. The Rev. F. J. Bate conducted the services.

Mrs. Fitch was also a member of the D. A. R., the Fortnightly Club, the Folklore Society and the Artists Guild.

SOCIAL EVENTS AT Y. M. C. A.

Three More Are Planned for the Summer Session Students.

The Y. M. C. A. has planned three more social events for the Summer Session students at the University. There will be a carnival in the building the night of July 3. A committee headed by Walter W. Haskell is now at work on the features of the event. The proceeds will be used in improving and beautifying the Y. M. C. A. building and grounds.

Shortly after the opening of the Graduate School of Agriculture a reception will be given to afford those in that school a chance to become acquainted with those in the other divisions of the University.

Near the close of the session the usual final reception will be given. Two receptions have been given.

TO INCREASE APPLE CROPS

Co-Operative Associations Are Being Formed by John Bland.

Although Missouri is one of the four states which produce more apples than any section in the United States, it is the only one that does not have a co-operative association for marketing apples. John Bland, secretary of the State Board of Horticulture, is now attempting to organize apple-selling associations in the state.

These associations, by providing better markets for apples, will increase the apple yield in the state, according to Mr. Bland. The soil in this state is particularly good for apple growing as is the soil of Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska the other three apple states.

600 AT Y. M. C. A. RECEPTION

Annual Social Event for Summer Students Last Saturday.

About 600 persons attended a reception given to the faculty and students of the Summer Session of the University at the Y. M. C. A. Saturday night. This is the largest crowd that has ever attended the annual summer reception. During the first hour an orchestra of four pieces played. Later a short program of readings and vocal and piano solos was given in the auditorium. Punch and fruits were served. About sixty delegates and visitors to the Christian Endeavor convention came during the latter part of the evening.

Farm Hand Kills Himself.

John Pollock, 21 years old, shot and killed himself Monday morning at the home of his employer, Tilford Murry, a farmer.

## FROM NEW ENGLAND FOR WILLIS WEDDING

Out-of-Town Guests Come in Special Car From the East.

RECEPTION FOLLOWS

Ceremony Read at Presbyterian Church by the Rev. W. W. Elwang.

Miss Fannie Willis, daughter of Mrs. W. H. Willis, and Butler Ames of Lowell, Mass., will be married at the Presbyterian Church at 8 o'clock this evening. Miss Willis will be attended by her sister, Miss Florence Willis as maid of honor, Mrs. Ramsey Furnace of St. Joseph, Mo., will be matron of honor. The bridesmaids will be Miss Evalyn Willis of Columbia, Miss Virginia Gillette of Washington, D. C., and Miss Frances Reid Jones of St. Louis. Adelbert Ames of Lowell, Mass., a brother of Mr. Ames, will be best man. The groomsmen will be Joseph Legere, of Lowell, Mass., Hamilton Fish, Jr., of New York; Charles Hayden of Boston and R. L. Price, Jr., of Columbia.

Miss Dorothy Niedringhaus of St. Louis will sing "Four Leaf Clover" and "O Sole Mio" before the ceremony. Miss Willis will enter the church on the arm of her grandfather, Colonel R. B. Price. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. W. W. Elwang of the Presbyterian Church. After the ceremony there will be a reception at the Willis home on West Broadway.

A party came today from Massachusetts to attend the wedding. They rode in a special car. The Beta Theta Pi house will be used by these guests while in Columbia.

WOODMEN PLAN CELEBRATION

Carnival to Be Held in Columbia the Week Preceding July 4.

The week preceding July 4 promises to be active in Columbia. The local camp of the Woodmen of the World will have a celebration from June 29 to July 4. The committee in charge expects 12,000 persons here from outside of Columbia.

There will be a balloon ascension every morning at 10 o'clock by W. R. Andrews of Kansas City. He says he is the only one-legged balloonist in America. About a dozen festival shows will be here. Other amusements as announced are: automobile parades, drilling contests, climbing a greased pole, pie-eating contests, Ferris wheel and a merry-go-round.

The Woodmen of the World have been granted permission to use Sixth street from Walnut to Cherry streets.

Thursday, July 2, will be fraternal day. Every fraternal order in Columbia and surrounding counties have been invited to attend on that day with their drill teams. Friday, July 3, is speakers' day. All the county and state candidates have been invited to speak.

PROFESSOR ON A MOTOR TOUR

W. D. A. Westfall and Family Go East in Their Car.

As a part of their vacation, Prof. and Mrs. W. D. A. Westfall and family are now on an automobile tour of eastern states. After their tour they will go to Fort Jervis, N. J., to spend the rest of the summer.

Professor Westfall and family left Columbia last week. They will visit the University of Illinois, Purdue College, Ohio State University, Cornell University, University of Indiana and Oberlin College. Professor Westfall is especially interested in the School of Commerce in the University of Illinois. He will spend some time investigating their statistical work in commerce.

Professor Westfall crossed the Mississippi River at Louisiana, Mo. From there the route selected goes through Champaign, Ill., to Indianapolis, Ind. From Indianapolis the automobile road will be followed by way of Toledo, Ohio into the state of New York. In Toledo Professor Westfall will have his car inspected by the factory experts.

Port Jarvis, N. J. is the ancestral home of Professor Westfall. His grandfather lives on the family estate where the summer will be spent.

Swimming Exhibition for Boys.

William Hummert of Milwaukee gave a swimming exhibition for Columbia boys at the Y. M. C. A. swimming pool Wednesday morning.